



# Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023

## CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK – W/C 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

Children's Mental Health Week is an opportunity to shine a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health. By getting involved, we will not only be raising awareness, but also vital funds to help more children and young people get the emotional support they need.



Place2Be is a children's mental health charity that works to improve the emotional wellbeing of children and young people. They help them to cope with wide-ranging and often complex social issues including bullying, bereavement, domestic violence, family breakdown, neglect and trauma.

This year's theme is **Let's Connect** and is about making meaningful connections. People thrive in communities, and this connection is vital for our wellbeing. Having healthy connections – to family, friends and others – can support our mental health and sense of wellbeing.

Here at Joy Lane, we will be spending time in the last week of term discussing mental health and wellbeing through PSHE lessons, assemblies and the wider curriculum. **On the last day of term (Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February), we are inviting the children to 'Dress to Express'.** Children are encouraged to wear clothing to 'express themselves' in their own unique way, highlighting the importance of being able to express our thoughts and feelings.

We will be fundraising for Place2Be on our [JustGiving Page](#) – this is a voluntary donation.

## PARENT COMMUNITY READING CAFÉ – WED 8<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY



On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February, we will be holding our first ever parent/carer Reading Café from 9 – 10am in the Upper School Hall.

Have a coffee and cake whilst browsing the adult and children's book swap stations, sign up to the local library and collect resources to support your child with their reading.

As part of the morning, Mrs Harkins and Miss Gillmore will be sharing their vision for reading for pleasure at Joy Lane and how the popular 'Book Banter' sessions are integral to this. If you want to find out more about what we do to support your child's love of reading, please book your space [here!](#)

This will be the first in a series of Reading Café sessions, each with a different reading focus, so watch this space for further dates!



## PARENT/CARER READING VOLUNTEERS – CAN YOU HELP?



Are you interested in helping the children of Joy Lane to read? Whilst we prioritise reading here at Joy Lane and spend lots of time reading with and to our children, having more adults to interact with our young readers would be an amazing addition!

All reading volunteers will be trained and be required to have a DBS check. The main thing we ask from you is a commitment to a series of reading sessions over a time period (e.g. twice a week for a term) so that we can plan your reading time into the children's busy school day and you can have a bigger impact on the children's reading progress.

Please complete the [Google Form](#) to show your interest and we will be in touch with further details regarding training and getting started in Term 4.

Thank you in advance for your support.

## ATTENDANCE UPDATE

### Attendance data week ending 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023

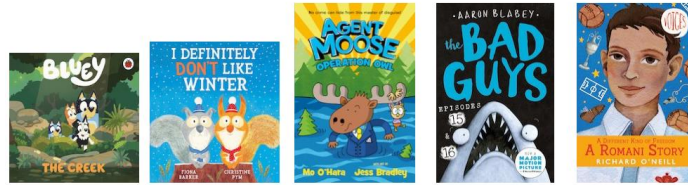
JLPS Whole School attendance	92.3%
Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance)	147 pupils 23.74%



Klee – 85.3%	Kline – 93.0%	Kandinsky - 89.4%
Van Gogh – 94.3%	Voysey – 93.2%	Vallotton – 92.5%
Picasso – 91.4%	Postgate – 92.3%	Potter – 90.6%
Riley – 93.8%	Rousseau – 94.8%	Renoir – 93.4%
Hockney – 93.6%	Heron – 88.2%	Hepworth – 93.2%
Degas – 92.1%	Dali – 94.8%	Da Vinci – 93.7%
Bailey – 90.4%	Banksy – 94.2%	Barnard – 95.3%
Oysters – 88.6%	School Average - 92.8%	School Target - 97.5%



## DIGITAL SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB



Our new Scholastic Book Club is up and running! Go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/joy-lane/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online. For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards. Please place your order online by January 30th 2023.

## FRIENDS OF JOY LANE UPDATES

If you are not already following the Friends of Joy Lane on social media, check out their pages now:

Facebook.com/joylaneschoolpta  
Instagram.com/joylaneschoolpta

The Friends of Joy Lane are busy arranging lots of exciting activities, so watch this space for more details coming soon.

**FOJL Upcoming Events**

**FEBRUARY**

**24** WORLD BOOK DAY PRE LOVED COSTUME SALE

**MARCH**

**09** MOVIE NIGHT

**17** Wine and Wisdom

## WORLD BOOK DAY PRE-LOVED COSTUME SALE



In preparation for World Book Day (Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March) – and after the success of our pre-loved Christmas Jumper sale – the Friends of Joy Lane will be holding a pre-loved costume sale on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February. This will be located outside the main office, or in the event of bad weather, the Lower School Hall, from 3:15-4:15pm.

If you have any pre-loved children's costumes in good condition, please keep these aside and we will let you know when/where to bring these in to school.



## PARENT / CARER CHECKLIST

- **Book your space at our Reading Café on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February [here!](#)**
- **Next week is Week 3 of the [menu](#).**
- **Pop along to our Arbor/ClassDojo drop-in sessions, which will be available each Monday morning between 8:40 and 9:15am.**
- **Please complete the [Google Form](#) to show your interest in becoming a reading helper.**
- **Browse our Scholastic digital bookshop [here](#).**
- **‘Dress to Express Day’ is on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February!**
- **A reminder that the school is [closed](#) to all pupils on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023.**
- **Follow the Friends of Joy Lane on Facebook and Instagram.**

